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Cocked hats may become as numerous as the fuzzy ones.

Where there's a will there is generally a way to try to break it.

Few Matchless resist, but recent reports indicate that a good many of them die.

The common towel is to be abolished. Little by little mankind is becoming sanitary.

Let us hope the Wright brothers have really invented a fool proof air ship. It is greatly needed.

Music is to be established in the barnyard, for it makes cows give more milk and hens lay more eggs.

The Wilkesbarre man who was a millionaire for a day had to go away from home to act well his part.

One does not know whether to condemn or praise the Paris opera strikers. It all depends on the opera.

They find gold in chickens' crops in Manitoba, thus offering another opportunity for somebody to boost the price of eggs.

A Montana court has decided that one Chinaman constitutes a laundry. But what if he were in the shop every business?

According to one professor the earth will cease its revolutions in 5531. If you don't believe it figure it out to suit yourself.

Telephone connection between England and the continent is maintained by six cables, and the number will soon be doubled.

Brides are wanted in western Washington state. Here is where the supply of leap year can connect nicely with the demand.

The nursery and seed men convey a reassurance that spring is coming by sending out a bunch of finely illustrated catalogues.

Everybody will be as well satisfied if the weather man, for a little while at least, refrains from giving us any more mean temperature.

A Kansas City court refuses to grant a man a divorce from his mail-order wife. Then why doesn't he send to Reno for a mail-order divorce?

One girl married a baseball player because he made so many home runs. All players who make home runs do not at once run home, however.

The girls of a high school in Pennsylvania are widely praised because that hair device known as the "rat" has been prohibited among them.

If reports of robins seen during the zero weather were not mistakes on the part of the observers, they were mistakes on the part of the robins.

A Minnesota professor says "race suicide is a peril to posterity." We could hardly expect it to give our ancestors whooping cough and measles.

English girls must promise to obey in order to make the wedding ceremony binding, but the breaking of the promise does not invalidate anything.

Few men would have been reckless enough, a hundred years ago, to make the prediction that an American hen would ever win the world's egg championship.

One large railroad has ordered that its pencil sharpeners be discarded. We accept this as another indication that the world is growing better.

Princess Pat succeeded in slipping into New York unnoticed. Some of the ladies who employ press agents will wonder why she should have wished to do so.

The ex-autocrat got off with fat purses. Abdul Hamid got \$50,000 a year, the infant Emperor Pu-Yi is to have \$6,500,000 annually.

"Gee whiz! I'm glad I'm free!" exclaimed a woman when she had secured a divorce in New York the other day. The man was probably too happy to be able to say anything.

But why should the French or any other astronomers feel "worried" over what may be happening to Saturn's rings? So far as this earth is concerned, Saturn never has been anything but distant and unobscured.

The millionaire for a day in Wilkesbarre, Pa., got a great deal of advertising for his money, and he may decide to go on the vaudeville stage.

Saturn is having trouble with its rings, but as they are not wedding rings the people who follow divorce scandals need not prick up their ears.

The National Association of Ice Cream Manufacturers reports that we consumed \$200,000,000 worth of that delicacy last year. The young swains are quite prepared to believe it.

## COL. ROOSEVELT ACCEPTS CALL OF GOVERNORS

DECLARES HE WILL ACCEPT THE PRESIDENTIAL NOMINATION IF TENDERED HIM.

BRIEF BUT DEFINITE: PRIMARIES ARE URGED

Averse Interests of People, Not Ambition, Prompts Move—Hopes Voters Will Get Chance Through Direct Primaries to Influence Republican Choice—Letter of Seven State Executives Brought Announcement.

New York—"I will accept the nomination for president if tendered, and I will adhere to this decision until the convention has expressed its preference," is Col. Theodore Roosevelt's reply to the deputation of seven governors asking him to stand for renomination.

The eagerly awaited reply was given out at Col. Roosevelt's offices here during his absence on a trip to Boston.

Col. Roosevelt's Letter.

It was unexpectedly brief, but definite. It follows:

"New York—Gentlemen: I deeply appreciate your letter and I realize to the full the heavy responsibility it puts upon me, expressing as it does the carefully considered convictions of the men elected by popular vote to stand as the heads of government in their several states.

"I absolutely agree with you that this matter is not one to be decided with any reference to the personal preferences or interests of any man, but purely from the standpoint of the interests of the people as a whole.

"I will accept the nomination for president if it is tendered to me, and I will adhere to this decision until the convention has expressed its preference. One of the chief principles for which I have stood, and for which I now stand and which I have always endeavored and always shall endeavor to reduce to action is the genuine rule of the people; and, therefore, I hope that so far as possible the people may be given the chance, through direct primaries, to express their preference as to who shall be the nominee of the Republican National Convention.

Very truly yours,

THEODORE ROOSEVELT.

The letter is addressed to Govs. Hadley, Missouri; Glasscock, West Virginia; Aldrich, Nebraska; Ross, New Hampshire; Carey, Wyoming; Osborn, Michigan; and Stubbs, Kansas.

The governors assembled at Chicago two weeks ago and drafted a letter to Col. Roosevelt asserting there was a popular demand for him to the president again, and urging him to declare himself as to whether he would accept the Republican nomination if it came unhesitatingly and unthought.

For two weeks Col. Roosevelt considered the letter, indicating that he had no intention of making a hasty reply.

Head of Farmer Cut Off.

Gallipolis, O.—One of the most brutal crimes on record in this section was discovered when neighbors went to the home of Peter Sorrier, a wealthy farmer. He had been murdered. His head was entirely severed from the body and was found 20 feet from the torso.

Woman Shopkeeper Murdered. Toledo, O.—Miss Helen Madge, an aged shopkeeper, was killed here when robbers entered her shop, tore a money belt from her body, bound her to a chair and ransacked the little shop for the fortune the woman was supposed to be guarding in the place.

Sentenced for Laughing. Chicago—Frank Farrar was sentenced by Municipal Judge Caverly not to attend a theater for a year. The show he saw was so funny that he laughed so hard the manager had him arrested.

Four Hurt in Head-On Wreck. Baltimore, Md.—Four trainmen were badly injured and two engines were wrecked in a head-on collision between two freight trains on the Philadelphia, Baltimore & Washington railroad.

Lord Engaged to Wed Actress. London—The engagement is announced of Lord Victor C. William Paget, brother and heir presumptive to the Marquis of Anglesea, to Olive May, Gayety theater actress.

French Challenge for Aero Cup. New York—A challenge from the Aero Club of France for the international cup won for America by C. T. Weyman in England last year, was received by the Aero Club of America by cable.

Throat Cut to Rescue Teeth. Wichita, Kas.—It was necessary to cut Mrs. Alice Miller's throat to remove her false teeth which had lodged there after a tooth caught in food she was chewing. Three teeth were on the plate.

## ALLEE SAME LIKE UNCLE SLAM



## TO PROBE SMELTER TRUST BRANDT GETS A NEW TRIAL

BERGER WANTS CHARGES OF NEWSPAPER INVESTIGATED.

Socialist Charges Plot to Turn Refinery Over to Smelter Combine and Close Mints.

Washington, D. C.—Representative Victor L. Berger of Wisconsin introduced a resolution directing the house committee on expenditures in the treasury department to investigate charges made in a San Francisco newspaper that the smelter trust has been illegally given authority to refine gold and silver bullion for the United States.

The resolution reads: "Whereas, Charges have been made through a reputable daily newspaper of general circulation of San Francisco, Cal., that a conspiracy exists among the officials of the treasury department to close the refining branches of the United States mint, and to turn over to the smelter trust the business of refining gold and silver bullion intended for coinage; and, "Whereas, These charges have been formulated by an expert assayer who was for eleven years a trusted employee of the San Francisco mint, and who has voluntarily left the government service in order to make these known, therefore, be it

"Resolved, That the committee on expenditures in the treasury be instructed to investigate these charges and report to the house at the earliest practicable date."

## AGREES ON MONEY INQUIRY

House Leaders Compromise Satisfactorily and "Trust" Investigation Comes Up Today.

Washington, D. C.—Democrats of the house have compromised on the "money trust" investigation, the question which has agitated the party for so many weeks, and which comes up today for final determination.

Representatives of both sides expressed satisfaction, however, over a redraft of the resolution introduced by Representative Page, chairman of the banking and currency committee, to which will be referred the major portion of the investigation. It was adopted by Democratic members of the rules committee.

## OKLAHOMA SPLIT DELEGATES

Ten Votes Each to Clark and Wilson at Baltimore Convention—Gallbreath Is Committee Man.

Oklahoma City, Okla.—Senator Thomas P. Gore heads the list of ten Wilson delegates named at the Democratic state convention to attend the national convention at Baltimore. The agreement made to elect ten delegates pledged to Wilson and ten instructed for Clark was carried out without a hitch.

Kentuckian, 124, Is Found Dead. Columbia, Ky.—Johnny Morg, 124 years old, said to be the oldest man in America, was found dead in his hut near here. He was a veteran of the war of 1812.

Cat Survives Thirty Shots. Laurel, Ind.—A mad cat was the quarry in a cross-country chase of a posse armed with guns, lassoes and pitchforks. Thirty shots failed to kill the animal, which finally drowned in the river.

Five Hundred Children Flee Fire. Conway, Ark.—Five hundred and fifty school children marched without disorder or panic through dense clouds of smoke to safety when the new public school building was discovered to be on fire.

Oppression Is Charged. Washington.—The Postal Telegraph company filed suit against the Western Union with the interstate commerce commission, accusing the Western Union of using oppressive competitive methods.

JUSTICE GERARD VOIDS SENTENCE OF SCHIFF VALET.

New York Supreme Court Holds That Proceedings Before Judge Rosalsky Were Illegal.

New York—Justice Gerard sustained the writ of habeas corpus issued in the case of Folke E. Brandt and ordered that Brandt be remanded to the Tombs.

The granting of the writ sets aside the plea of guilty and leaves Brandt under the two original indictments, one charging burglary into the first degree and the other charging assault. His counsel will enter a demurrer to the indictments, and it is believed that the main charge, that of burglary in the first degree, will be quashed. The charge of assault will also probably be dismissed, or if he pleads guilty he will receive a sentence of not more than the time he has already served, and will be freed at once. Meanwhile the grand jury is continuing the hearing into the charge that his long sentence was brought about by a conspiracy.

## MINE WORKERS NAME WALKER

Another Election Will Be Held to Select Successor to Philip Davis, Deceased, of District No. 9.

Springfield, Ill.—The result of the referendum election of officers of the Illinois Mine Workers was announced at the convention as follows: President, John H. Walker, Danville; vice-president, Paul J. Smith, Marion; secretary-treasurer, Duncan McDonald, Springfield.

Officers declared elected are: State executive board members: District 1, Robert Osborn, Coal City; District 2, Patrick Carr, Ladd; District 3, James Lord, Farmington; District 4, Bernard Murphy, Pana; District 5, Dan Clark, Springfield; District 6, Frank Heffner, Collinsville; District 7, John Wichter, Belleville; District 8, Philip Davis, Duquoin; District 9, Charles McClintock, Cambria.

Philip Davis has died since the vote was cast and another election will be held to elect a successor. Auditors: William Hall, Springfield; Dan McDonald, Springfield; Evan Owens, Belleville, Ill.

## HOUSE REVISES TARIFF LAW

Underwood Bill, Revising Chemical Schedule of Payne-Aldrich Tariff Measure Is Adopted.

Washington, D. C.—By a vote of 173 to 127, the house passed the Underwood bill, revising the chemical schedule of the Payne-Aldrich tariff law.

The vote was along strictly party lines, Republican Progressives opposing the measure as "revision upward." One Republican, Hanna of North Dakota, voted with the Democrats. The bill was framed to raise the rates of luxuries, such as toilet soaps and perfumes, and to reduce the rates on medicines and other necessities.

## Dupont's Election Questioned.

Washington.—An investigation may be made by the senate into the methods employed in the election of Henry A. Dupont, Republican senator from Delaware. The inquiry will be based on charges preferred against Cornelius P. Swain, recently appointed marshal for Delaware, on the recommendation of Senator Dupont.

## Taft Gets Press Agent.

Washington.—LeRoy T. Vernon, Washington correspondent for the Chicago Daily News, was appointed chief of the publicity bureau of Taft headquarters. His paper has given him a four months' leave of absence.

## Prohibition Convention April 19.

Springfield, Ill.—A call for a state convention of Prohibitionists, to be held in Springfield on April 19, was issued by Robert H. Patton, chairman of the Illinois Prohibition state central committee.

## SCORES TRAPPED IN FIRE-SWEPT MINE

SIX MEN TAKEN ALIVE FROM BURNING PIT NEAR LEHIGH, OKLAHOMA.

## SEVEN KNOWN TO BE DEAD

Hundred Walk or Are Carried From Colliery When Blaze Starts—Young Mexican Lad Saves Fifty Miners.

Lehigh, Okla.—Seven miners are known to be dead, six have been rescued alive from a furnace of flames and the fate of a score of more imprisoned in mine No. 5 of the Wichita coal and mining company, one mile east of Lehigh, is unknown.

Six of the men brought out were thought to be dead, but were revived when the reached fresh air.

The number of those who are estimated variously by different officials of the company at from fifteen to thirty-five.

When the fire started the word was spread through the mine of the disaster, and more than 100 miners either walked out or were carried out by rescuers, overcome by smoke. A large number unconscious from suffocation were revived after reaching the fresh air.

A young Mexican boy, whose name is not known, saved probably fifty lives, and a miner, Chester Caldwell, probably a score, by their heroism in the rescue work.

For several hours after the fire started there was hope that the men in the mine were still safe, but after the government rescue party arrived and started removing the bodies hope died out, and now none of the relatives of those on the outside expect to see them brought out alive.

## TAFT TO REPLY TO COLONEL

President Will Make First Speech on "Charter of Democracy" at Toledo (O.), March 8.

Washington, D. C.—President Taft will make his reply to Col. Roosevelt's "charter of democracy" in a speech to be delivered in Toledo, Ohio, March 8, according to an official announcement from the White House.

President Taft conferred with Secretary Hilges and determined to make his reply at the earliest possible date and for that reason it was decided that the president should stop off at Toledo on the way to Chicago, where he is due for several speeches on March 8. From a source close to the president it is learned the Toledo speech is to be the first of several in reply to policies announced by Roosevelt.

## GOV. DIX SUSPENDS INQUIRY

Will Await Decision as to Legality of Brandt Habeas Corpus Writ Granted.

Rhineland, Wisconsin—Angered by the presentation of a rent increase before him in the case of Folke E. Brandt, former valet of Mortimer L. Schiff, until the legality of the writ of habeas corpus granted by Justice Gerard is decided by the court of appeals.

The governor announced this decision after conferring with Seymour Van Santvoord, his legal adviser, and Richard L. Hand, who was appointed commissioner to take testimony on Brandt's application for executive clemency.

## WOUNDS BABY WITH HATCHET

Man Throws at Landlord's Son, Strikes Own Child and Inflicts a Fatal Gash.

Albany, N. Y.—Governor Dix ordered the suspension of all proceedings by the son of his landlord, H. F. Smith of this city threw a hatchet at the boy, but missed him and hit Smith's 8-months-old child, held in its mother's arms. The blade inflicted a cut five inches long in the baby's head and the child is near death.

Smith was arrested and is almost crazed with grief.

## Boy Born on a Train.

Denver, Colo.—Mrs. C. V. Peters gave birth to a son on a Union Pacific train near here. Dr. L. N. Smith of Big Springs, Neb., a passenger, attended her.

## Chinese Wins Prize for Oratory.

South Bethlehem, Pa.—Chin Chih Fuh of Nan Seng Kiang Su won first prize in the junior oratorical contest at Lehigh university. His subject was the present revolutions in China.

## Haines Fired From Union League.

Chicago.—Edward Hines, lumberman, who was quoted as saying he had "put Lorimer over," was expelled from the Union League club after the most exciting fight in the history of the organization.

## Joe Ketchel Dies.

Waukegan, Ill.—Joe Ketchel, the pugilist who dropped unconscious at the end of a five-round bout with Bill Walters, a navy pugilist, at the naval training station here, died in the station hospital.

## INCREASE IN NUMBER OF AMERICANS GOING TO CANADA

Although Western Canada suffered, as did many other portions of the west, from untoward conditions, which turned one of the most promising crops ever seen in that country, into but little more than an average yield of all grains, there is left in the farmers' hands, a big margin of profit. Of course there were many farmers who were fortunate enough to harvest and market a big yield, and with the prices that were secured made handsome returns. From wheat, oats, barley and flax marketed to the last of January, 1912, there was a gross revenue of \$12,384,900. The cattle, hogs, poultry and dairy proceeds brought this up to \$161,629,000 or 21 million dollars in excess of 1910. There was still in the farmers' hands at that time about 95 million bushels of wheat worth at least another sixty-five million dollars allowing for inferior grades, besides about 160 million bushels of oats to say nothing of barley and flax, which would run into several million of dollars.

There is a great influx of settlers to occupy the vacant lands throughout Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta. The reports from the government show that during the past year upwards of 131,000 Americans crossed the border into Canada. A great many of these took up farms, over ten thousand having homesteaded. In fact the records show that every state in the Union contributed. A larger number, not caring to go so far away as the homesteading area, have purchased lands at from fifteen dollars an acre to twenty-five dollars an acre. The prospects for a good crop for 1912 are as satisfactory as for many years. The land has had sufficient moisture and with a reasonably early spring, it is safe to predict a record crop.

Those who have not had the latest literature sent out by the Government agents should send to the one nearest, and secure a copy.

## In and Out of Boston.

There is a sign in Boston which reads as follows:

"Washing and ironing and going out to work taken in here"—Woman's Home Companion.

Dr. Penner's Pleasant Pellets regulate and invigorate almost any system, and, without sugar coating, they gradually work to take the bowels free.

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